

October 14, 2018

## Ordinary Time

Twenty-eighth Sunday



### ***What Must I Do To Inherit Eternal Life?***

**No matter what we do, none of us can earn eternal life. We cannot earn a place at the banquet table of God by our good deeds. The poor cannot buy it with their poverty and the rich cannot buy it with their riches. The Kingdom of God is a gift. When the rich young man realized this truth his face fell and he went away sad. He was unwilling to let go of the things that possessed him to follow Jesus. God invites us to live on his grace and let go of the demons that possess us, so that God can possess us.**



Flowers for the Altar this weekend are donated by Betty Patalik in memory of Eugene Patalik Sr.

### MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday, October 20

4:30 p.m. Ben Smolik

Sunday, October 21

8:00 a.m. Henrietta & George Migl

### Full, Conscious and Active Participation in the Liturgy



Next weekend is *The Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.

**First Reading: Isaiah 53:10-11**

**Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 33**

**Second Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16**

**Gospel: Mark 10:35-45**

### FEAST OF ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS

#### **November 1<sup>st</sup> – *The Feast of All Saints***

We celebrate all those men and women whose lives in some way mirrored the Paschal Mystery of Christ on a profound level.

**Mass Schedule: Praha – 5:30 p.m.**

Moulton – 7:00 p.m.

#### **November 2<sup>nd</sup> – *The Feast of All Souls***

On this day we make expiation for the dead. We pray for the forgiveness of all their sins, that God may bring them to himself to join the Saints.

**Mass Schedule:**

**Praha – Blessing of the Graves at 5:00 p.m.**

**Mass at 5:30 p.m.**

Moulton – Mass at 7:00 p.m.

Blessing of the graves after Mass.

#### **All Souls Commemoration**

During the month of November we remember our dead. Remembrance candles will be lit during the weekend Masses for them. Use the attached All Souls envelope, fill in the names of your beloved, and drop the envelope in the collection basket or mail slot at the rectory by October 31.

### CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS



#### **Altar Society Bake Sale – November 20<sup>th</sup>**

The Praha Altar Society will be holding a Thanksgiving Bake Sale on Tuesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. - noon at the Flatonia National Bank. The entire parish is encouraged to donate home baked/made items. They may be dropped off on November 20<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am at the bank. Thank you in advance for your contribution to kick off Thanksgiving with our community.

#### **Catholic Daughters Pennies For Life**

The Catholic Daughters of The Americas is sponsoring *Pennies For Life*. During the month of October, we are asking that you donate one penny for each year of your life in thanksgiving to God for the life He has given you. At the end of October, the monies collected will be sent to the Victoria Diocese Respect Life Office.

*For more information contact Georgia Cerny.*

#### **Moulton Picnic News**

The Moulton Picnic Report was published this week. 2,172 plates were sold. The Auction brought in \$194,726. The Gross was \$284,189.36 and the Net profit was **\$225,460.19**. We want to thank the Praha Parishioners who helped make this possible by donating, working and supporting our sister Parish, St. Joseph's Moulton.

## REFLECTION

### *Eternal Life Is a Gift From God*

The initial exchange between Jesus and the rich man in today's gospel raises an important question: Can one gain eternal life, or is it a gift from God? The man's question implies that he believes that he can do something to deserve eternal life. Jesus' response about obeying the law indicates that a particular way of living is indeed required to those who desired eternal life. The man is not putting Jesus to the test; he has approached him with great respect. This is an honest and upright man, one who has been observant from his youth but who realizes that there is still something missing in his life. Jesus recognizes this goodness, and he loves him (*agapáō*).

Jesus however, does not seem to accept the man's salutation, insisting that only God is good. Yet he is certainly not denying his own goodness. When the man addresses him a second time, Jesus lists the commandments. The commandments themselves are not the issue here. They are included in order to point out the moral integrity of this rich man – he has acquired his wealth honestly.

St. Mark uses the detailed description of the man's goodness to show that even the righteous find it difficult to respond to the radical demands of discipleship. The man could not renounce his riches. Jesus' response is probably the key to understanding the entire passage. While those who wish to inherit eternal life are bound to the commandments, only divine grace can enable them to enter the reign of God. While they must live lives of moral integrity, they must rely completely on God.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



October 14 – Dennis Tousek

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!



October 17 – Jeanette & Carl Henke  
October 18 – Congratulations Bridgette & Matt Cerny  
on your 15<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

## Religious Education For Children In Praha

A decision was made to have two streams: - a Wednesday Program and a Sunday after Mass Program. Parents interested in either program are to contact Fr. Gabriel by the end of October to make arrangements to start the program.

## SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

### *World Mission Sunday*

This day is designated to offer prayer and financial support for missionaries around the world. It is also a day to remember that the Church is missionary at its very core. All the baptized are called to carry on the mission of Christ and to proclaim the good news to the world.

*Please be generous.*

## VOTIVE CANDLE INTENTIONS

The Catholic custom of lighting candles is rooted in Church teaching that Christ is the Light of the World. Candles serve as an outward sign of the light of faith burning in our hearts. They are our silent sentinels lifting up our prayer intentions to the Lord.

### **Remember to pray for the following intentions:**

*For Our Family*

*For Health, Love*

*For Jeannie McMahon*

*Healing Prayers For Jake*

*Pray For Increase of Family Faith*

*In Thanksgiving For God's Peace*

*For Becky & Clifford Hebert & Family*

*In Memory of Antoinette & Alvin Rothbauer*

*That I Don't Have Cancer Or Other Illness ...*

*For The Repose Of The Soul of Mark Anderle*

*For Friend With Liver Transplant, For Daughter*

*For Justine & Ruben Velasquez – Help Them Be Strong*

*Pray That Our Lord Grants Kimberly Approval In Her Asylum*

*For Peace & Comfort To Families Who Have Lost Family Members*

*For Deceased Members of Family. Good Health of Children & Grandkids*

*Pray For Jenny To Pass Nurse Practioner Board Exam & Find A Job*

*For Faith, Family, Friends, Safe Travels, Health & Happiness*

*Please Heal Paul M., Bless Family & Grandkids With a True Devotion To You O Lord*

– Votive Candle Intentions to be continued

## AT HOME WITH THE WORD 2019

To foster full, conscious, and active participation in the Sunday Liturgy all parishioners are encouraged to prepare for the celebration. One way of getting ready for the Mass is to reflect on the liturgical readings at home. Copies of *At Home With The Word* are ordered for all those who sign up for them. A copy is \$8 but if you fill in the form below and return it in the collection basket, drop slot or mail it in by October 28, you get a copy for free.

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### **2019 At Home With The Word**

Yes, I use the booklet. Order me a copy.

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